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YENISEY NAVIGATION TO BE IMPROVED; RIVER MINISTER TRANSFERRED

KRASNOYARSK PORT APPROACHES TO BE IMPROVED -- Rechnoy Transport, No 63, 9 Aug 49

The Ladeyskiy sandbanks, are situated in the Yenisey River near the northern outlet of Krasnoyarsk port. Here, the river is complicated by bends, spits, sandbars, and shoals. Heavily loaded freight caravans traveling upstream have to break up a few kilometers from their goal. In the autumn, ships pile up around the sandbanks. Hardly a year passes without rudders being broken or bottoms damaged. The Ladeyskiy sandbanks shift constantly, having one section which shifts tens of meters a year, and are one of the biggest navigation problems of the Yenisey.

Many plans have been considered to correct this situation. None of them has been carried out successfully, although the sum spent runs into seven figures.

Engineer Ivanitskiy, in reviewing the situation, proposed a new plan which would entail seeking a through passage in the right channel of the sandbanks, which coincides with the natural flow of the main channel of the river. The left channel is tortuous and deformed due to an unknown cause. The right channel is stable, having scarcely shifted in the last 10 years, while the left channel shifts from left to right.

Ivanitskiy determined that an enormous rock in the right channel could be removed by demolition work. Ivanitskiy proposed that the right channel be deepened by dredging operations. These operations got under way this year, but as yet have not been completed because the dredge was needed elsewhere.

KARA-TAL NAVIGATION POSSIBILITIES EXPLORED -- Pravda, No 225, 13 Aug 49

Explorations of the Kara-Tal River have indicated the possibility of exploiting it for navigation from its mouth to the village of Ush-Tobe on the Turkestan-Siberian Railroad System. The navigation and operational qualities of its channel and the economics of the bordering areas of the river are being investigated. Regular ship movement on the river will begin in 1950.

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NEW PASSENGER SERVICE ON NEMAN RIVER -- Sovetskaya Litva, No 186, 9 Aug 49

The Administration of the Neman River Fleet announces that passenger service will be opened on 25 July between Kaunas and Petrashyunay. Stops will be made at Mayakovskaya ulitsa, Pienotsentras, Shanchi, Iyesi, A. Panemune (both below and above the bridge), and Terashyunay.

Ships will leave Kaunas at 0500, 1315, and 1320, will leave A. Panemune at 1005 and 1100, will arrive at Petrashyunay at 0725, 1540, and 2155, and will arrive at A. Panemune at 1135 and 1225. Ships will leave Petrashyunay at 0820, 1620, and 2230, will leave A. Panemune at 1155 and 1300, and will arrive at Kaunas at 0955, 1305, 1405 1705, and 0010. -- Advertisement.

NOVOSIBIRSK PORT ACCEPTS FREIGHT ORDERS -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 161, 16 Aug 49

The Novosibirsk Port of the West Siberian River Fleet is accepting freight for shipment to Barnaul, Biysk, Tomsk, and other ports in the Altay Kray, Novosibirsk, and Tomsk oblasts. Cargoes are shipped on low-speed steamships and high-speed freight steamers and Diesel ships. Apply: Pristanskoy pereulok, 5. -- Advertisement

RIVER FLEET COMPLETES JULY PLAN -- Rechnoy Transport, No 63, 9 Aug 49

The USSR fleet exceeded the July 1949 freight-shipping plan both in tons and ton-kilometers. The plan was exceeded for grain, salt, coal, and timber on rafts and ships, but was not completed for petroleum. Freight shipments increased 16 percent over July 1948.

The following river fleets operated successfully in July: Volga Freight-Passenger, Upper Dnepr, Sheksna, Belomorsk-Onega, Volga Freight, Don, West Siberian, and Moskva-Volga Canal.

The Northern Fleet fulfilled the plan in all basic indexes, but it had many more ships in operation than planned. The Volga Tanker Fleet fulfilled the plan in all basic indexes, but failed to fulfill the ministry's supplementary assignment in ton-kilometers for fleet operation.

The Dnepr Fleet did not fulfill its plan for dry-freight shipments. The Pechora Fleet failed to complete its plan for shipment of coal, and the Central Asia Fleet did not meet its plan for shipment of grain.

The Lower Irtysh Fleet did not complete its plan for shipment of timber on ships. The Moskva-Oka Fleet and the Neman Fleet failed to fulfill the plan for shipment of dry freight.

The Yenisey Fleet did not complete its plan in ton-kilometers for fleet operation. The Belaya Fleet failed to complete its plan in ton-kilometers for fleet operation and for shipment of dry freight.

The Upper Irtysh Fleet did not complete its plan in ton-kilometers for outgoing shipments and for fleet operation. The Sukhona Fleet did not complete its plan in tons and its plan in ton-kilometers for fleet operation. The Kama Fleet failed to fulfill its plan in ton-kilometers for outgoing shipments and fleet operation, and also its plan for shipment of dry freight.

The Northwestern Fleet and the East Siberian Fleet failed to complete the plan in ton-kilometers for outgoing shipments and fleet operation, and also the plan for hauling rafts.

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The Vyatka and Lena fleets failed to complete the plan in either tons or ton-kilometers.

The following ports and wharves of the ministry completed the July freight-handling plan: Moscow Southern Port, Rostov-on-Don, Moscow Western Port, Gor'kiy, Kiev, Cherepovets, Dnepropetrovsk, Krasnoarmeysk, Yaroslavl', Irkutsk, Vologda, and Omsk.

The following ports and wharves also operated well in July: Shcherbakov, Kineshma, Kuybyshev, Stalingrad, Astrakhan', Molotov, Levshino, Leningrad, Liski, Aral'sk, Uch-Say, Makar'yevo, and Krasnoyarsk.

The following ports and wharves operated poorly in July: Saratov, Kotlas, Semipalatinsk, Novosibirsk, Tyumen', Ulan-Ude, Blagoveshchensk, and Khabarovsk.

Izvestiya, No 194, 18 Aug 49

Competing with river transport workers of the Kama basin, the Northern River Fleet exceeded all indexes of the July plan and pledged to fulfill the August transport plan ahead of schedule. During the 3-month navigation period of 1949, ships of the Northern River Fleet carried 732,000 tons of timber freight more than during the same period of 1948. The sum 2,550,000 rubles was released from working capital. Cost accounting was introduced on 75 steamships and Diesel ships.

VOLGA TANKERS MEET SECOND-QUARTER PLAN -- Volga, No 135, 12 Jul 49

The "Volgotanker" (Volga Tanker) Fleet fulfilled the second-quarter plan for transport of petroleum products 103.8 percent in tons and 101.7 percent in ton-kilometers. During the second quarter, transport of petroleum products increased 22.2 percent over 1948.

OB'-IRTYSH ADMINISTRATION WANTS CONSTRUCTION PERSONNEL -- Sovetskaya Sibir', No 144, 23 Jul 49

The Ob'-Irtysh Basin Administration needs the following for permanent work in Novosibirsk and for field work in Omsk, Tyumen', and Semipalatinsk: heads of construction sections, chief engineers of construction sections, senior supervisory engineers, foremen, work-standard setters, masons, plasterers, and top-grade carpenters. Apartments will be provided for all workers. Apply: ulitsa Sh[illegible]tinkina, 33. -- Advertisement

RAKHMANIN GIVEN NEW POST -- Rechnoy Transport, No 62, 5 Aug 49

V. I. Rakhmanin has been released from his duties as Vice-Minister and member of the staff of the Ministry of River Fleet USSR in connection with his being named head of the Main Administration for Development of Small Rivers for Transport of the Council of Ministers RSFSR.

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